

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

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Bill No.: SB 649
Subject: Children and Minors; Family Law; Health Department; Health, Public
Type: Original
Date: March 17, 2003

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
General	\$83,857	\$92,533	\$90,608
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$83,857	\$92,533	\$90,608

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Federal*	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

*Income and Expenses of approximately \$27,000 would net to \$0.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DOH)** assume they would be responsible for printing and distributing pamphlets relating to this proposal. The DOH assumes the printing costs for 150,000 pamphlets would be \$12,082. The DOH assumes mailing cost to 2,471 counties, birthing hospitals, public libraries, public schools, and universities would be \$9,760. The DOH estimates the cost for a filing cabinet for storage, \$550. The DOH estimates 200 Programming hours x \$50.00 per hour = \$10,000 would be needed to develop database for tracking purposes and modify paternity file.

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator (CTS)** state this proposal would create new rights for men in the establishment of paternity, and make changes in the putative father registry maintained by the Department of Health and Senior Services. The CTS states the proposal provides for a \$50 filing fee on all petitions for adoption, to be used to fund the registry.

The CTS states in 2001 (the most recent year for which this data is available), there were 3,311 adoption filings. Thus, the CTS estimates that approximately \$165,000 will be raised in a given year.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials from the **Department of Social Services - Division of Family Services (DFS)** state they reimburses the adoptive parents for legal fees incurred during the adoption process of a child in their care and custody. The legal fees include the filing fee for the adoption proceedings. In FY 2002, the DFS had approximately 1,507 adoptions finalized. The proposed filing fee could potentially cost the agency \$75,350.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2004 (10 Mo.)	FY 2005	FY 2006
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GENERAL REVENUE

Income - Office of State Courts

Administrator

Filing fees	\$165,000	\$165,000	\$165,000
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Costs - Department of Health and Senior Services

Expense and equipment	(\$32,392)	(\$22,497)	(\$23,173)
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Costs - Department of Social Services - Division of Family Services

	(\$48,751)	(\$49,970)	(\$51,219)
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**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON
GENERAL REVENUE**

	<u>\$83,857</u>	<u>\$92,533</u>	<u>\$90,608</u>
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Income - Department of Social Services - Division of Family Services

	\$26,599	\$27,264	\$27,945
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Costs - Department of Social Services - Division of Family Services

	(\$26,599)	(\$27,264)	(\$27,945)
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**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON
FEDERAL FUNDS**

	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
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FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government

FY 2004
(10 Mo.)

FY 2005

FY 2006

\$0

\$0

\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

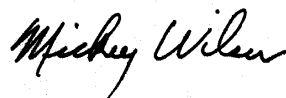
DESCRIPTION

This proposal modifies the law relating to the Putative Father Registry. Lack of knowledge of a pregnancy does not excuse the failure to timely file with the State Registrar. However, a man's consent to an adoption is not waived by the failure to file with the State Registrar if there was fraud or misrepresentation. Upon the discovery of the fraud or misrepresentation, the man shall have fifteen days to file. Pamphlets and publications regarding the Putative Father Registry must include the specific statements contained in Section 192.016, RSMo.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Social Services -
Division of Family Services
Office of State Courts Administrator



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